

MISSISSIPPI RIVER GULF OUTLET REEVALUATION STUDY



- **Study Status**

Scheduled to complete
in FY 2004

- **Study FY04 Funding Required: \$813k**

- **Project Issues**

Environmental community and locals want the channel closed the navigation community wants to wait until IHNC Lock is built to close the channel if that is the recommended plan. Ecosystem Restoration plans will be part of any of the proposed alternatives.





Project Fact Sheet

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Date: March 12, 2003

Mississippi River-Gulf Outlet, LA (Reevaluation Study)

PROJECT AUTHORITY: The project was authorized by the River and Harbor Act of 1956, Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1976, Water Resources Development Act of 1986, and Water Resources Development Act of 1996.

PROJECT SPONSOR: Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans

PROJECT LOCATION: The project is located approximately 76 miles from the junction of the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal and the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway in New Orleans, Louisiana, to the -38 foot contour in the Gulf of Mexico.

PROJECT PURPOSE: The purpose of the reevaluation study is to determine if the existing channel should be modified, the advisability of continuing its operation, and to address Ecosystem restoration.

PROJECT FEATURES: None

PROJECT COSTS:	<u>Total Project</u>
Total Study Cost	\$3,000,000
Total Federal Cost	\$3,000,000
Total Non-Federal Cost	\$0

PROJECT BUDGET/SCHEDULE: Funds required in FY 2004 are \$813,000. The reevaluation study is scheduled to be completed in Nov 2003. The funds will be used to continue full detailed feasibility activities and preparation of a report recommending a plan for Congressional approval. This schedule is based upon the assumption that there will be no funding constraints.

ISSUES: None.